

MACON COUNTY
“COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE”
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, December 7, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor/Chairman Steve Jones, Commissioners Kenneth Witte, Kimmy Warf, Jeff Hughes, Scott Gammons, Bryan Carter, Benton Bartley, Helen Hesson, Mike Jenkins, Charles (Chop) Porter, Troy Brawner, Mchelle Phillips, Chris Wix, Don Stevens, Phillip Snow, Barry King, Wendell Jones, Shannon Wix and Justin Dyer

Absent: Todd Gentry and Bobby Ray King

Bryan Carter gave the Invocation.
Helen Hesson led the Pledge.

Motion #1 by Witte, 2nd by Gammons to approve minutes as presented from the 11/16/15 Legislative Body Meeting, 10/20/15 Planning Commission Meeting, 11/2/15 Emergency Services Committee and the 11/2/15 Building & Facilities Meeting and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Motion #2 by Gammons, 2nd by Hesson to approve Budget Amendments #1 through #4 and #6 (#1 Liabilities – USABLE Payroll, #2 Other Local Welfare Services, #3 County Mayor, #4 Library and #6 Other Public Safety – Macon Rescue) and defer to the next meeting and also bring back Budget Amendment #5 Public Safety Projects for approval.
Motion Carried on Roll Call

Motion #3 by W. Jones, 2nd Stevens to amend the GASB policy to change the asphalt and roads from 40 year life span to 50 year life span and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried on Roll Call

Motion #4 by Hughes, 2nd by Stevens to add Haven Way to the County Road list and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried on Roll Call

Sheriff Gammons informed the commissioners about receiving lower funding in the past three months for State inmates due to more County inmates. Sheriff Gammons would like to begin discussing expansion for the jail with the Emergency Services Committee.

Mayor Jones mentioned that he spoke with Judge Wooten regarding this matter and would take it to the Budget Committee to discuss along with school expansions and road funding.

Motion #5 by B. King, 2nd by Hesson to look over the Courthouse bids and bring back recommendation to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Mayor Jones updated the commissioners on the UCHRA building. Renovation should be complete by December 18th. Discussion ensued.

Motion #6 by Snow, 2nd by Hughes to approve moving four County departments to the UCHRA building when it is complete. The UCHRA building will have a total of six departments, which two are already in the building. The four departments that will be moving are the Election

Commission, Codes Enforcement, Veterans Officer and Environmentalist Kevin Dickerson and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Motion #7 by B. King, 2nd by Hesson to paint the exterior of the UCHRA building with a cost of \$5,300 to be added to the money to be borrowed for the project and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Mayor Jones mentioned that the RFP's for the EMS billing will be brought back to the next meeting for approval. He also mentioned that applications were being taken for the EMS Director and that Mike Ethridge is the interim EMS Director.

Motion #8 by Brawner, 2nd by Snow to authorize Mayor Jones to set up a screening panel process for the hiring of the EMS Director and bring back the most appropriate applicant for approval.
Motion Carried

Motion #9 by Brawner, 2nd by Stevens to authorize Mayor Jones to set up a screening panel process for hiring the Codes Enforcement position and bring back the most appropriate applicant for approval. Mayor Jones advised the commissioners that Scott Carver is the interim for the Codes Enforcement.
Motion Carried

Motion #10 by Witte, 2nd by Stevens to approve the Codes Enforcement report and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Mayor Jones told the Commissioners that the County Trustee had been told she could not add the cleanup fees to the property owner's tax bill. Mayor Jones has ask the County Attorney to look into this and report back.

Motion #11 by Witte, 2nd by Gammons to give Wilson County Emergency Management the old rescue equipment once the City of Lafayette and City of Red Boiling Springs Fire Departments have gotten all of the equipment they wanted and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Motion #12 by Witte, 2nd by Hughes to approve the Impact fee report and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried on Roll Call

Motion #13 by Hughes, 2nd by Warf to place "Children at Play" signs at appropriate locations on Epperson Springs Road and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Motion #14 by S. Wix, 2nd by Hesson to make it mandatory that all drivers must be 21 years old or older to drive Macon County emergency vehicles in emergency mode and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Motion # 15 by Bartley, 2nd by S. Wix to stop any organization from using the old courtroom areas in the Courthouse as a meeting place due to security and custodial reasons and defer to the next meeting.
Motion Carried

Motion #16 by Carter, 2nd by Gammons to adjourn.
Motion Carried